

TURK FORCES
IN CAUCASUS
NEARING BREAK

Report Current in London That Erzerum Has Fallen, But is Not Confirmed. Strongest Fort.

ALBANIAN TOWN IS
TAKEN BY AUSTRIANS

With Occupation of Durazzo Teuton Forces Will be in Control of Northern Section of Country.

International News Service.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Smashing blows by Grand Duke Nicholas' Russian army have so seriously crippled the Turks in the Caucasus that complete victory is now in sight, according to advices received from Petrograd today.

The Turkish forces defending Erzerum took the offensive when the Russians halted after their first successes, but were driven back in rout. A report was current here today that Erzerum had fallen.

At the Russian embassy it was stated that no official announcement of the capture of Erzerum had been received, but it was believed that the bombardment of the forts of the Turkish fortress would result in their destruction.

Persia to Join Allies.

The Russian success in Asia Minor has had the same effect on Persia that the German victories in the eastern theater had on Bulgaria, according to the Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail. He says it is reported that Persia is about to join the allies.

The general effect on Moslem people will also be of immense benefit to the allies, whose prestige in the Orient had undoubtedly suffered as a result of the evacuation of Gallipoli peninsula.

Erzerum is the strongest Turkish fortress in Asia Minor. It forms the keystone of the Ottoman line of defense against Russia. The fortifications are modern and are equipped with Krupp guns.

ROME, Jan. 28.—Austro-Hungarian troops have captured the Albanian town of Alessio and are nearing Durazzo, according to word received by the Italian government today. With the occupation of Durazzo the Teuton forces will be in control of all of northern Albania.

It was officially admitted here today that the fall of Durazzo was imminent. Eshed Pasha, leader of the Albanian forces, has withdrawn from the city, preferring to make a stand at a point more favorable for his little army.

WESTERN CITIES HIT

International News Service.
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Jan. 28.—The violent storm which has been whipping the Pacific coast for several days, continued today with unabated fury in some sections and diminished intensity in others. Great property damage has been inflicted but there has been little or no loss of life as far as known.

ARTILLERY DUEL
RAGES IN ITALY

International News Service.
ROME, Jan. 28.—Many towns on the Austro-Italian frontier have been set on fire by the terrific artillery fire in a duel which the opposing armies are waging. Wounded Italian officers who arrived here today declared that the bombardment was the most severe that has marked the course of the operations.

The official report issued under date of Jan. 27 says that the Austrian infantry have been hampered by their own artillery fire follows: "There is artillery activity supported by aeroplanes along the entire front. It caused a conflagration in the Torggola valley, which, however, was quickly controlled. "Enemy aeroplanes shelled Ala, Roncesano and Borgo, but caused no damage. His own artillery destroyed the enemy's dugouts and observation posts in the Fanes valley. Alcordassa on Monte Sorho, and at Mammi on Monte Nero.

"In the Gorizia zone we stopped the enemy's offensive, holding our positions strongly. His own artillery bombarded enemy detachments marching toward the Isonzo bridge northwest of Gorizia thus preventing their advance.

"In the Carso region on Jan. 26 one of our rapidly advancing detachments gained ground in the direction of the church of San Martino. We hold this position firmly.

Wagon Struck by
Train; Children
Are Not Injured

James Holderman, driver of a school wagon, two children of E. R. Wright and two children of Gates C. Bills of Osceola narrowly escaped death at 7:40 o'clock Friday morning when the school wagon in which they were riding was struck by the westbound 20th century limited. The two horses attached to the wagon were instantly killed. The accident occurred at the New York Central crossing a half mile east of Osceola. The wagon was that used in conveying the children to the Baugo township consolidated school. The crossing at which the accident occurred is not considered dangerous for the reason that the view is unobstructed in either direction. An interurban car had passed just before the train struck the wagon and it is believed that the driver's attention was held by the car and that he drove onto the track before realizing that the train was approaching. The front end of the wagon was demolished.

FORT WAYNE MAY
GIVE UP BASEBALL

City is Not Represented at Meeting of the Central League Owners.

Unless a different attitude is taken during the afternoon Fort Wayne will not be in the Central league in 1916, according to reports from that city, where the Central league managers went into session at 1 o'clock today. Before the meeting started Louis Heilbronner, representing the principal stockholder in the Bilkent club, William Kitzke, who will be unable to take an active part in baseball because of illness, declared that the Fort Wayne franchise would be forfeited to the league. Other Fort Wayne men have expressed a desire to take over the club but at noon today they had been unable to arrange such a plan.

Much business was scheduled for the afternoon as the withdrawal of Fort Wayne rather complicated matters. Wheeling, W. Va., the town that was to be dropped from the circuit is represented at the meeting by Mayor M. L. G. Kurtz and four other business men, who are ready to deposit their forfeit money and promise that fact was too good a baseball town to give up Central league ball.

In addition to arranging the details of organization a schedule committee will be appointed today. As soon as the circuit is settled upon it is expected that the various managers will have a number of announcements to make regarding players and considerable dickering was reported in progress among the managers previous to the time the meeting convened.

WILL TALK ELEVATION

Advisory and Works Boards Will Meet This Afternoon.

Mayor Keller has called a joint meeting of the advisory board and the board of public works for 5 o'clock this afternoon for further discussion of track elevation plans. City Engineer Anderson will report upon the proposed closing of several streets and other matters in connection with track elevation.

N. D. TO PLAY PURDUE

Two Games Are Booked by Coach Jesse Harper.

Two games have been scheduled with Purdue by Notre Dame according to announcement made Friday by Coach Harper, who returned from the athletic conference at Indianapolis. The first game will be played at Lafayette on May 2 and the second at Notre Dame on May 25. The state track meet will be held at Purdue on May 27.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Ignacy Galba, shoe maker, Mishawaka; Stephanie Drazagowska. Robert Wohhal, bottling works, Chicago; Pearl Dickey, Niles, Mich. Ivo L. Pinkerton, machinist, Sylvia A. Mumme.

Jianni Prosperi, laborer, Mishawaka; Marie C. Muschiana, Mishawaka.

BRANDEIS IS
TO BE NAMED
COURT JUDGE

Will be First Man of Jewish Nationality to be Made a Member of the Supreme Body.

PROMINENT FIGURE
IN THE LEGAL WORLD

Has Been Prominently Connected With Important Litigations—Born at Louisville, Ky.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Wilson today sent to the senate the nomination of Louis Brandeis of Boston, to be supreme court justice to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Joseph Tucker Lamar.

Mr. Brandeis always has been known as an independent in politics with leaning towards the democratic party.

Mr. Brandeis is the first man of Jewish nationality to be named to the supreme court bench. He is well known in the legal world. Since 1897 when he became senior member of Brandeis, Dunbar and Nutter, he has been prominently connected with many important litigations, including the Ballinger-Pinebott investigation.

He was also chairman of the board of arbitration in the big garment workers' strike in New York in 1910. He was counsel for the shippers in the advanced freight rate investigation before the interstate commerce commission; he was counsel for the people in the proceedings involving the constitutionality of the Oregon and Illinois 10-hour laws for women. He is 59 years old.

Mr. Brandeis was born Nov. 13, 1856, at Louisville, Ky. He obtained his early education in the public and high schools there and later went abroad where he attended Angewandte Real Schule at Bresden, Germany. Later he went to Harvard, where he obtained his law degree in 1877. The following year he was admitted to the bar.

MINERS WILL ERECT
MONUMENT AT LUDLOW

Fight Against Edward Doyle is Resumed on Convention Floor.

International News Service.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—The Edward Doyle case did not end when the United Mine Workers yesterday afternoon voted approval of a part of Pres't White's annual report which Doyle attacked. The Colorado secretary was given a severe grilling by the officers of the union today when they spoke by question of personal privilege.

Vice Pres't Hayes, Sec'y Green and William Farrelly, the latter a former board member from Alabama and federal consultant in the Colorado strike, panned Doyle and at one time the delegates threatened to drive Doyle from the hall.

The convention adopted the recommendation of Pres't White that a memorial monument be erected at Ludlow, Colo., in memory of the women and children massacred in the riots there.

The recommendation that the convention go record against local strikes, unless as a last resort and approved by the proper officials, was adopted.

THOUSAND FAMILIES
DRIVEN OUT BY FLOODS

International News Service.
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 28.—A thousand families in Desso and adjoining counties in Arkansas along the White and Arkansas rivers, driven from their homes by the biggest flood ever known to that section, were rescued today from the tops of trees after spending the night in a drenching cold rain. Mothers with babes in their arms were taken from four trees. No deaths have so far occurred, but there was much suffering on account of the sudden drop in temperature.

Train service into Dumas, Watson, and several other towns near Little Rock has been discontinued. At Lundel, Ark., near Helena, the water rose six feet last night, forcing hundreds of persons to desert their homes and take refuge in small skiffs or tree tops. Rescue parties have gone to them.

Little Rock today expected a stage in the Arkansas river of five feet above flood record. Pine Bluff was pressing into service every available man to strengthen the levees protecting the city. Newport, Ark., was reported partly under water.

ALL IS QUIET.

International News Service.
BERLIN, Jan. 28, (by wireless).—"In the Balkan war theater, there is nothing new to report," said the official statement issued by the war office this afternoon.

OFFERS RESOLUTION.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—A resolution protesting against a renewal of the Japanese demands upon China and requesting the president to inform Japan that it cannot look with indifference upon its policy in the Orient, was introduced today by Sen. Sherman of Illinois. It was referred to the senate foreign relations committee without debate.

ALL WILSON'S
SPEECHES WILL
GIVE WARNING

President to Deliver Twenty Addresses While in West and Hopes to Have Each One Different.

FIRST STOP WILL
BE AT PITTSBURGH

Secret Service Men Are in Charge and Call Off All Planned Demonstrations.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Tired, but plainly very well pleased over his experiences on his New York trip, Pres't Wilson returned to Washington today for a brief time before starting on his "invasion of the west." The president made it very plain that he felt that his enthusiastic reception in the metropolis could be accepted as a "good omen" for the final success of his preparedness plans.

The trip home was uneventful and as the president was sleeping when his train arrived his car was shunted onto a side track until he awoke. The party was then driven to the white house.

Owing to the mass of business he had to attend to before leaving tonight on his swing through the west, the president called off today's cabinet meeting.

The president will leave for Pittsburgh at 10:45 tonight, arriving there early tomorrow morning. He delivers his first speech there at 1 o'clock tomorrow. From there he goes to Cleveland, where he speaks tomorrow night. He remains in Cleveland over Sunday, departing for Milwaukee Sunday night.

In all the president will make about 20 speeches while he is away. All will sound a warning for the country to prepare. The president has not prepared any of the speeches. He will endeavor to change them all and not deliver the same speech twice, although they will all be along the same lines.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 28.—Secret service men from Washington today took the arrangements for the reception of Pres't Wilson tomorrow out of the hands of the chamber of commerce, under whose auspices he will speak, and the Pittsburgh police. Plans to meet the president with a brass band and for various automobile rides were ordered given up.

There are four stations at which the president can come into the city. At which one he will arrive is being kept secret.

The secret service men put their foot down on plans for a big reception at the hotel Schenly. A small delegation of women will meet at the hotel Mrs. Wilson, and present her with a bouquet of flowers on departing. Mrs. Wilson will attend both meetings at which the president will speak.

CLUB IS NOT FOR SALE

Lannin Intends to Hang on to Boston Red Sox.

International News Service.
BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Pres't Joseph J. Lannin of the world's champion Red Sox, referring to a report that a Boston syndicate was ready to buy his club said today:

"You can deny the story as strongly as you wish, my club is not for sale."

BOOSTS PRICE.

International News Service.
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 28.—The Joseph Seep agency today announced a raise of 10 cents on all principal grades of crude oil. Pennsylvania crude is now selling at \$2.35, within 15 cents of the highest record price. Mexican black, New Castle and Corning, all are selling at \$1.85.

FORM AGREEMENT.

International News Service.
BERLIN, Jan. 28 (by wireless).—The Frankfurter Zeitung today states that it has received confirmation of the reports that Japan and England have concluded agreements which concede to Japan preponderance of influence in the far east.

EMPEROR BETTER.

International News Service.
ROME, Jan. 28.—Reports reached the Vatican today that the condition of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, showed a slight improvement and that he had recovered the power of speech, while he is said to have lost after suffering two paralytic strokes.

READS CIRCULAR.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Sen. Walsh of Montana, today created a sensation in the senate by reading into the record extracts from a confidential circular issued by the British government to its censors instructing them to hold up all American correspondence dealing with trade in certain commodities in northern Europe.

Countries May Join Europeans' Conflict



King Christian of Denmark, King Gustaf of Sweden and King Haakon of Norway.

Recent embargoes imposed by Denmark and Sweden, particularly on exports to Germany, are interpreted here by a high administration official as meaning that the Scandinavian countries have entered upon "a policy of preparation" out of fear that they may be plunged into the European war at any time.

This view, which is taken by other students of European affairs in close touch with the trend of recent developments, is regarded as confirmatory of reports from private sources that Sweden and Denmark are verging on an outbreak, and that Norway will join them if they go into the conflict. It supports the belief of lesser officials that the Scandinavian countries realize there is imminent danger of their becoming involved actively in the European conflict.

GOVERNMENT GETS
LABOR'S SUPPORT

Party's Leaders Who Resigned From Cabinet Expected to Resume Posts.

International News Service.

BRISTOL, England, Jan. 28.—British labor, as represented in the Trades' Union conference went on record again today as supporting the government in its conduct of the war. As a result of resolutions adopted at the morning session it was possible for the labor party's leaders who recently resigned from the cabinet to resume their posts. They are expected to do so.

The conference adopted by a vote of 1,674,000 to 269,000 a resolution confirming the action of the executive committee of the labor party in allowing the organization's representatives to enter the coalition cabinet.

By a vote of 1,622,000 to 495,000 the conference then adopted a resolution providing that the representatives of the labor party should remain in the ministry.

On the heels of the adoption of these resolutions an effort was made to have the conference reconsider its action in condemning the government's military service bill, but this attempt failed. It was stated, however, that the cabinet was considering modifications of the measure that would render it more acceptable to the working classes.

EIGHTY MEN ARE OUT

Little Change in Strike Situation at Indianapolis.

International News Service.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—There was little change in the strike situation in the Big Four freight department here today. Officials of the union stated that about 80 men were out and by tomorrow the number probably would reach several hundred. Railroad officials say but 40 men have walked out. It is understood the company will fill the places of the strikers with men from Chicago and Cincinnati. The union men are asking recognition.

EXCLUDES PICTURES.

International News Service.
BOSTON, Jan. 28.—The moving picture films of the Jack Johnson-Jess Willard prize fight at Havana are excluded from the United States on a decision handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals today.

FIREMEN OVERCOME

Fire Loss at Detroit is Estimated at \$100,000.

International News Service.
DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 28.—Six firemen were overcome by smoke, several women were caught in the rush of spectators and injured, and damage estimated at more than \$100,000 was done in a fire in the old Hall building today in the heart of the business section of Detroit. The fire was caused by an explosion of chemicals in the basement of Kinsell's drug store.

SWEDEN LOOSSES SHIPS

Has Had 362 Vessels Seized by Warring Factions.

International News Service.
STOCKHOLM, Jan. 28.—Germany and Great Britain have seized or detained 362 Swedish ships, valued at \$47,150 since the war began. It was officially announced today. Germany has been the worst offender against Swedish shipping, having detained 221 ships, valued five of a total value of \$25,250. Great Britain detained 141, valued at \$219,900.

GETS DIVORCE.

International News Service.
DANVILLE, Ill., Jan. 28.—Enos S. McFarland, a wealthy resident of Hoopston, Ill., 47 years old, has been granted a divorce by Judge Marshall on his allegation that his wife treated him cruelly.

VESSEL FIVE
DAYS OVERDUE;
500 ON BOARD

Elder-Dempster Liner Appam Left For England on Jan. 11—Carried 200 German Prisoners.

"APPAM" LIFEBOAT IS
REPORTED SEEN AT SEA

Hull Steamer Says Five Feet of Bow Had Been Knocked Away—California Reaches Port.

International News Service.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The big Elder-Dempster liner Appam, with almost 500 souls on board, is believed to have been sunk. The vessel was five days overdue today and had not reported by wireless.

A dispatch to Lloyd's today states that the Hull steamer Tregant, reports that on Jan. 16 she passed a lifeboat with the name "Appam, Liverpool," painted on the stern. Five feet of the lifeboat's bow had been knocked away. One life buoy was found.

The Appam displaced 7,781 tons and left Dimer Jan. 11 for England. She had on board 200 passengers, 200 German prisoners and carried a crew of 80. She also had a large batch of mail aboard.

International News Service.
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—After passing through days of perils from submarines and storms the Anchor line California arrived here today from Glasgow three days late. She brought 250 passengers, practically all of whom were seasick during the voyage.

SHIP GOES DOWN.

International News Service.
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The British freighter Chase Hill, 4,583 tons, which left New York on Jan. 13 for Havre, has gone to the bottom, according to word brought here today by the British steamer Indralena.

The Indralena reported that she passed the Spanish freighter Mar Adriatico on Jan. 22, and that the freighter signalled she had on board the crew of the Chase Hill, which she had picked up. The freighter gave no details concerning the sinking of the Chase Hill, and it is not known whether she was torpedoed or met with some other mishap.

The Chase Hill was under charter to the Champagne Generale Transatlantique and carried war supplies to France.

EXECUTES TWO; DIES

Strain Too Much For Warden of South Carolina Prison.

International News Service.
RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 28.—Succumbing to the terrible strain of applying the electric current to the death chair for the electrocution of two murderers, Warden T. P. Sales, of the state prison, died today in his office at the prison a few minutes after the electrocutions.

The prisoners electrocuted were Ed Walker and Jeff Dorsett, negroes, condemned to death in Guilford county for robbery and murders of John Swain, in January, 1915.

LOVED HUSBAND,
SAYS MRS. MOHR

International News Service.
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 28.—Even after he beat her, threatened to shoot her, was unfaithful and declared he never married her, Mrs. Elizabeth Frances Mohr loved Mr. Charles Franklin Mohr with "a love born from the bottom of my heart for the father of my little ones."

She said so in the witness box today. Her remarkable nerve kept up during her first day of grueling cross-examination at the hands of Atty. Gen. Herbert Rice.

Several times her voice broke and once she cried, but quickly recovered.

Rice again got her hopelessly tangled as to dates and she contradicted herself several times, but not on material points.

Wagers were even when court reconvened that Mrs. Mohr, who had up to now maintained the lack of emotion that has characterized her throughout the trial, would break down during the day.

When the fifth day of the third week of the murder trial began Rice had covered only the preliminary ground. He had not touched on the story of the domestic life of the Mohrs and the events immediately leading up to the period of the murder.